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HOUSE No. 3485

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Willie Mae Allen

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act Improving the Earned Income Credit.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| Willie Mae Allen | 6th Suffolk |
| Cleon H. Turner | 1st Barnstable |
| Matthew C. Patrick | 3rd Barnstable |
| Callahan, Jennifer | State Representative |
| Martha M. Walz | 8th Suffolk |
| Martin J. Walsh | 13th Suffolk |
| Gloria L. Fox | 7th Suffolk |
| Denise Provost | 27th Middlesex |
| Sean Garballey | 23rd Middlesex |
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT IMPROVING THE EARNED INCOME CREDIT.

concerning the availability of the federal and state earned income credit.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1: Section 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby 2 amended by striking out, in line 184, the number "15" and inserting in place thereof the following number: -30. 3 4 SECTION 2: Section 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is further amended by inserting 5 after the first paragraph the following paragraph:-6 The commissioner of revenue shall provide all employers with a notice and a poster that sets forth the rights to the 7 credit allowed under the first paragraph of this section including the option to receive the benefit throughout the year 8 in each paycheck. Said notice requirement shall comply with the language requirement for employer unemployment 9 notices under section 62A (d) (iii) of chapter 151A. The posters shall be posted in a conspicuous place in places of 10 employment. The commissioner shall work with labor organizations, the chambers of commerce, municipalities, 11 community-based organizations, and taxpayer advocates to ensure the widest possible dissemination of information